## TESTIMONY OF LYMAN R. HOPKINS

Views Given Before the Industrial Commission.

THREADMAKING INDUSTRY

Lyman R. Hopkins, president of the American Thread Company, was today before the industrial commission. A paper had been prepared by the witness and was read before he was questioned. He declared himself a firm believer in combination and said that low prices were necessary to keep down competition. High prices were sure to bring about competition. He did not anticipate any unfair treatment of workmen by big combinations, for labor had learned to combine and to enforce good treatment. The American Thread Company had had no difficulty with its employes. He was not opposed to strikes, but he doubted whether days. strikes are beneficial. He considered a prolonged strike as always a disadvantage to labor. It was little likely that an increased wage when obtained would offset the great loss to the men of a long strike. He did not believe in compulsory arbitration. In a way the social condition of labor in his company had improved in the last afty years so far as general material comfort was concerned. Although improved machinery had been introduced in their mills, yet the number of employes had constantly been increasing. The immediate cause of the combination

forming the American Thread Company was the ruinous competion among the separate mills which had wiped out profit in the running of many of them. eembination to bring them on a paying the separate establishments together. Formerly each concern had to carry samples of hundreds of different kinds of stock but under the combination each mill pro-duces a specialty, so that the stock they all have to carry is greatly reduced. The output of thread by the combination, he was greatly increased after it was formed three years ago, though now it is just about what it averaged previously. Two or three small mills in out of the way places had been closed down, but the capacity of the combination now is about what it was previously. When the price of raw cotton went up the price of thread had been increased in about the same proportion. Previous to this increase in the price of raw material no increase in the price of thread was made, though in a few grades the prices were lowered.

The American Thread Company now supplies about one-third of the sewing thread used in this country, so that there is plenty of competition. It was this complenty of competition. It was this com-petition that caused the reduction of the combination's price on low grade goods. Advance in Wages.

Since the organization of the American Thread Company, he testifled, the wages of day labor had gone up. There had been no reductions in any kinds of wages. The Colts, a foreign firm, manufactured their cotton threads in this country and had been forced to do this because of the tariff. Wages were lower abroad, and had it not been for the tariff, there would have been an advantage in manufacturing abroad for the American market.

### Tariff on Thread.

Mr. Hopkins thought the tariff is just about right on thread, and if it were rethis country would be made in England, because the wages are about one-half there tents is more suitable and servicable for the army than the old familiar white can get the cotton just as cheaply as in this country. In his mills the female work-ers and paid from \$1 to \$1.50 a day, while the young men get from \$1.50 to \$2 a day. A great many of the hands in the thread mills own their own homes.

## The Company's Tenements.

The company has tenement houses where their chief mills are, but these tenements were built fifty years ago, when the companies had to provide tenements, and they would be glad to sell them. They had been trying to sell the tenements for five years, but they could not do it. These six month, and the company supplies the ten-The witness said that a reduction of the tariff would first be felt by the employes in

the thread mills. All the European thread concerns that have any considerable business in this country make their thread

### Stock Held in England.

Mr. Hopkins said the American Thread Company had been consolidated by Mr tock of the combination was held in England, the common stock being largely the hands of the owners of the English Sewing Cotton Company. The bonds are held in this country. The consolidation was made by Mr. Dos Passos, who got options from the owners of the separate mills and these owners were paid money or bonds or had been paid for his work, but he presum The Colts were interested as competition between the companies had hard as they had done before the change American Thread Company and the Colts produce about two-thirds of the thread sold in this country. While these companie are controlled under common ownership another. He did not think there could be monopoly to increase prices for the reason that a man could set up as a man: facturer of thread with a capital of \$10,000. Mr. Hopkins said one dividend of 10 per ent on the common stock of the American Thread Company had been declared for the ferred and 4 per cent on the bonds. In concluding his testimony he said tha a great many persons think they pay as much for their thread now as in former

While it was true the price of the thread ordinarily used had remained at 5 cents, yet the thread formerly sold for 5 cents was a three-cord thread, which could now be bought for 3 cents.

The War Department is informed that First Lieut. Jacob C. Smith, 48th Volunteer Infantry, was found guilty by a general court-martial, convened at San Fernando, Luzon, Philippine Islands, of conduct unbecoming an officer and a ge man, and sentenced to be dismissed the service of the United States. The osedings of the court were reviewed by Maj. Gen. Wheaton, commanding the Department of Northern Luzon. In his opinion the evidence in the case was not suffiotent to remove a reasonable doubt of the guilt of the accused. He thereupon disap-proved the findings and sentence of the court, and ordered Lieut. Smith's restoration to duty.

Mr. Momsen Succeeds Mr. Newcomb. Mr. H. T. Newcomb, who a few days ago resigned the position of expert chief of the division of agriculture, census office, to take charge of the editorial department of he Railway World at Philadelphia, will leave for his new field of labor this week.

Mr. Newcomb in 1884 entered public serin the city post office. In 1888 he went to the interstate commerce commission, where he became confidential clerk to former Auditor C. C. McCain. On the ganization of the division of statistics of the Department of Agriculture in 1895 Secretary Morton made him chief of the section of transportation statistics in that division, and while there he was the au-thor of several reports, one of which, on "Changes in Railway Rates," is the standard authority on the history of American railway charges. In 1809 he was made

hief of the division of agriculture in the Mr. Hart Momsen, formerly chief clerk of the office, has been selected as Mr. New-

INSPECTION BY THE BOARD OF VISITORS.

It is Expected That the Members Will Be in Session for Several Days-

The board of visitors to the naval obser vatory appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate assembled in this city today. They reported their arrival to Secretary Long at the Navy Department this morning and were escorted by him to the White House and formally presented to the President, after which they drove out to the naval observatory, north of Georgetown and spent a pleasant hour or two inspecting the wonderful scientific apparatus in that institution.

The board is composed of Prof. E. C. Pickering of Harvard University, Prof. Charles A. Young, professor of astronomy at Princeton University: Dr. William R. Harper, president of the University of Chicago; Prof. Ormond Stone, professor astronomy at the University of Virginia; Dr. Charles F. Chandler, dean of the School of Applied Science, Columbia University. and Prof. Asaph Hall, jr., professor of astronomy at the University of Michigan. Headquarters have been established at the the board will be in session for several

The business and duties of the board are defined by a clause in the naval appropria-tion act passed at the last session of Congress. It is provided that the board shall consist of six members, of whom four must be astronomers of high professional standing and two "eminent citizens of the United States." They are appointed for a term of three years and are to serve without compensation. The Secretary of the Navy is authorized, however, to pay the actual expenses necessarily incurred by members of the board in the discharge of such duties as are assigned to them by the Secretary of the Navy or are otherwise imposed upon them.

#### Duties of the Board. The duties of the board are defined in

the statute as follows.

"The board of visitors shall report to the Secretary of the Navy at least once in each year the result of its examinations of the naval observatory as respects the condition of buildings, instruments and apparatus, and the efficiency with which its scientific work is prosecuted, and shall also report as respects the expenditures in the administration of the observatory. The board of visitors shall prepare and submit to the Secretary of the Navy regulations prescribing the scope of the astronomical and other researches of the observatory, and the duties of its staff with reference thereto.

'When an appointment or detail is to be made to the office of astronomical director. director of the Nautical Almanac, astronomer, or assistant astronomer, the board of visitors may recommend to the Secretary of the Navy a suitable person to fill such office, but such recommendation shall be determined only by a majority vote of the members present at a regularly determined meeting of the board held in the city of Washington. The superintendent of the naval observatory shall be, until further legislation by Congress, a line officer of the navy of a rank not below that of captain."

#### WHITE TENTS TO BE CALLED IN. It Has Been Decided That They Shall

Be of Khaki Color. Tents of khaki color are to take the place of white tents in the field equipment of the United States army. All the white tents at the different posts throughout the United States and all such tents issued to the National Guard of the various states have been called in by the quartermaster about right on thread, and if it were re-moved he was satisfied the thread used in by khaki tents. It is recognized by mili-

### DISTRICT EXHIBIT.

Projected Representation at the Buffalo Exposition.

The project of having an exhibit at the Buffalo exposition which will represent the city of Washington as a community, in its commercial and other material aspects. was advocated at a meeting yesterday of the directors of the Board of Trade. Mr. O. T. Crosby, who was present by request and whose idea it is to have such a Disinformal discussion followed and a special committee, consisting of S. W. Woodward, W. V. Cox, Thos. W. Smith, B. H. Warner sider this project and make a report to the board at a meeting which is to be held not later than Monday of next week.

The 11th of next month was chosen as the date for the annual shad bake at Marshall Hall. A committee to take charge of the arrangements for this affair was aptire day at Marshall Hall, instead of leaving the city in the afternoon, as heretofore, and getting there only in time for dinner It will be the aim to have some new and attractive features.

The report of the executive committee was presented, showing the following named to have been duly elected to membership; C. C. Dieudonne, National Electric Supply Company, E. C. Graham, president; Joseph D. Franzoni, H. B. Mirick, treasurer National Electric Supply Co.; Alexander McKenzie, J. Morrill Chamberlin, S. Johnson, Madison Davis, E. Welch Ash ford, Charles Keidel, Knabe & Co.; Saml. Stinemetz, George W. Evans, Edw. T. Bates, Fulton R. Gordon, Jas. R. Andrew B. Duvall, Edwin L. Walter E. Schneider, J. & M. Strasburger tional Publishing Co. (E. E. Rapley, treasurer), Newton L. Collamer, Charles E. Tribbey, Wm. W. Riley, Jerome Hubbard (president Jerome Heating Co.), Fred. G. Coldren, Dr. Charles G. Stone, Wm. J. McNally, John H. Moore, Charles S. Brad-

### Reception to Presiding Elder.

The official board of Hamline M. E Church, 9th and P streets, has decided to allow the use of the church for a public reception to Rev. H. R. Naylor, D. D., the recently appointed presiding elder of this Washington district. The following committee was appointed

to confer with similar committees from other churches in the district to arrange details: G. W. F. Swartzell, chairman; H. B. Moulton, D. C. Reinohl, L. B. Snyder and J. R. Quinter. The board also appointed the following committee to arrange for a public reception to Rev. Lucien Clark, D.D., and his family, to be given in the church on a date hereafter to be announced: Rev. J. R. Wright, D.D., chairman, who will represent the churchat-large; J. W. Davis, to represent the trustees; T. E. Roach, for the stewards; T. H. Martin, for the leaders; E. I. Boor-aem, for the Sunday school; Dr. C. B. Campbell, for the Epworth League, and Mrs. J. B. Hall, for the Ladies' Aid So-

## Slight Fires Today.

this afternoon because of a slight fire in the house of Joseph Mann, No. 1169 D street northeast. The firemen reached the house before much headway had been gained by the flames. The damage was small. The house of William Coleman, colored,

An alarm was turned in about 1:30 o'clock

No. 320 Pomeroy street, was slightly damaged by fire about 11:45 o'clock today, An overheated stove caused the fire. The fire department went to the house in response to an alarm and extinguished the flames. Damage to the amount of about \$15 re-

About noon today an alarm was turned in because of a blaze in the chimney at the Colored Women's Home, No. 1909 R street

Nothing has yet been learned by the local police concerning the whereabouts of Willie McCormick, who disappeared from High Bridge, N. Y., the 27th of last month. His uncle, Mr. Michael G. McCormick, who is a broker at 9th and G streets, in this city, is satisfied the boy was taken away by kidnapers. The local police have heard nothing since they received a circular from the New York police shortly after the boy's disappearance.

Rice Case.

Self-Confessed Murderer Goes Over His Story Again.

CONFLICTING STATEMENTS HONORED BY THE KAISER THREATENS THE COURT

NEW YORK, April 9.- The commitment proceedings in the case of Albert T. Patrick, who is accused of having caused the death of Wm. Marsh Rice, the aged Texas millionaire, in September last, were resumed before Justice Jerome, sitting as magistrate today.

Charles F. Jones, who was Rice's valet, and who has turned informer, was recalled and then conducted them to an adjacent for cross-examination by Mr. Moore. Jones said that the stenographic notes taken of the statements made by him at not been read over to him. A transcript of he was told to read it carefully and see whether it was a correct report of what he had then said. In this statement made October 4 Jones said that Rice died a natural death, and also that the will dated 1900 was genuine.

Jones took the transcript, which covered several typewritten pages, and read it care-

Jones took fully half an hour to read the document. In reply to Mr. Moore he said the statements made by him to Capt. Mc-

Clusky were correctly recorded in the tran-

### His Movements on September 23.

A copy of Jones' statement to Assistant District Attorney Osborne in the Tombs on October 28, in which he said that Patrick administered chloroform to Rice, was produced and the witness said it had been read over to him and was substantially correct. Mr. Moore then asked Jones several questions as to his movements during the evening of Sunday, September 23, the day on which Rice died. Jones sald he left Rice's apartments, went to a restaurant on 42d street and returned again about 6 o'clock, after having taken dinner.
"When you got back about 6 o'clock, what

did you do then?" asked Mr. Moore.
"I remained a while upstairs and then went and telephoned to Patrick." "Did you see Mr. Rice during the time you remained upstairs?' "Yes; he was lying in the bed, his cyes were closed as if asleep, and he might have been dead at the time," was the reply, "Then you did not see Mr. Rice in life

returned from the restaurant?" Witness telephoned to Patrick that he was going to send a telegram from 56th street and 6th avenue. Witness telephoned again about 8 o'clock to Patrick, telling hlm that Rice was very ill. When witness met Patrick at 7th avenue he (witness) told him that Mr. Rice was sleeping and resting easily. "I told him that I expected him to do what he had promised," witness con-tinued. "and he said he could not, as he had a family of children. He told me that

#### sporge in the narrow end, saturated with Tells of the Murder.

I would have to murder Mr. Rice. Patrick

gave me a bottle of chloroform and told me to fold a towel, cone-shape, with a

"I returned to the house, and Mr. Rice was still lying in bed, and I placed the towel and saturated sponge as directed." "You did that?" asked Patrick's counsel.

"I did that," replied the witness. The witness was then questioned closely as to Rice's condition when the towe not say whether Rice's eyes were closed or not, as the room was dark. After h had placed the towel in position he went out into the hall, and did not return for half an hour. Witness had a faint recolof having, while out of the room heard Rice laugh; otherwise there was no noise in the room.

'After you removed the towel and telephoned Patrick the second time what oc-"Patrick and Dr. Curry came to the apartments, and I told Dr. Curry that Mr. Rice was dead."

Jones then said that Dr. Curry placed his head close to Rice's face and pro-nounced him dead. Mr. Patrick remained continuously in the house after Dr. Curry eft, and was there until after the em balming process was gone through. "Did Patrick do anything regarding the gathering of papers or documents during

he was in the apartments?" The witness replied that Patrick did noth ing in regard to the papers to his (Jones) knowledge until after the undertaker left. Later on Jones said that he handed some papers to Patrick on that Sunday night They included notes, coupons, deeds and other papers. He had made a list of them, ould not say where that list is now. Patrick took all the papers away with him. Patrick called at the Rice apartment the next day, but nothing of importance

When after that did you see Patrick?" "About 2 o'clock on Tuesday morning. About midnight on Monday I received a telegram from Captain Baker, telling me to take charge of Mr. Rice's effects. "Mr. Patrick came in response to your elephone message?"

### "About what time was it that he ar-"Mr. Patrick said it was 2 o'clock."

Could Not Fix the Time. "Could you not fix the time yourself? Were there no clocks in the house?" "I object," said Assistant District At-

torney Osborne, "this is not important." "It is very important, I assure your honor, it is of great importance to Mr. Patrick to fix the time of his visit." "The witness said the clocks were of the twenty-four hour kind and that he wound them."

Jones went on to say that the funeral

was postponed until Thursday, and told of the arrival of four police officers at the apartments. Jones denied that he had had a conversation with Mr. Osborne in the house of detention, during which Mr. Oshad threatened to get a magistrate and have him recommitted to the Tombs. Mr. Moore then announced that the crossexamination of the witness was closed

### SALE OF A RAILROAD.

#### Auction to Take Place in June Next in This City.

Official notice was issued today by Secretary Gage, Secretary Hitchcock and J. K. Richards, acting attorney general, composing a commission for that purpose, that the government will sell at public sale all the claims and demands of the United States against the Sloux City and Pacific Railroad Company.

The claims and demands consist of \$1,-628,320 principal, and about \$2,556,269.50 interest, aggregating \$4,184,589.50, more or

The sale will take place in the office of the solicitor of the treasury, in the treas-ury building, this city, on the 20th day of June, 1901, at 12 o'clock noon. The sale shall carry all the claims, demands, credits and rights of the United States against the Sioux City and Pacific Rail-

road Company.

The claim of the United States is subor dinate to a first mortgage given by the Sioux City and Pacific Railroad Company to secure the jayment of the bonds, amount interest, which is a prior lien to the claim and demand of the United States. No bid for an amount less than \$1,872,000 will be accepted or entertained.

No bid will be entertained unless the bid-

the Treasury a certified check for the sum of \$100,000. The certified checks of unuccessful bidders will be returned im diately after the sale, and the check of the successful bidder shall be at once collected and applied upon his or its bid.
Within twenty days from the sale full to make full payment the check for \$100,-000 shall be forfeited to the United States as liquidated damages.

## THE TARIFF'S EFFECT AT THE NAVAL OBSERVATORY DETAILS OF MURDER HATRED OF ENGLAND NEGOTIATIONS ENDED SIGNS PEACE MANIFESTO FINANCE AND TRADE

Recounted by Charles F. Jones in the Manifested at Reception to British Russian Minister at Pekin Refuses to Ambassadors in Berlin. Discuss Manchuria.

## KILLED VICTIM WITH CHLOROFORM POLICE COULD NOT PREVENT IT CLASKAN A FACTOR IN REVOLT

Envoys Brought Notice of Queen Father-in-Law of Prince Tuan is a Mohammedan,

BERLIN, April 9.-At the reception today of the British special mission to announce the death of Queen Victoria and the accession of King Edward VII Emperor William wore a British admiral's uniform, with the Order of the Garter. After the formal cereupon the subject. monies were over his majesty conversed The Mongolian prince Olaskan, father-inaffably with each member of the mission

room and introduced them to the empress. The members of the mission are the emperor's guests while here. The ceremony police headquarters after his arrest had of conducting the mission to the palace was imposing. The emperor sent to fetch the notes was then handed the witness, and | them three elaborately ornamented court carriages, with gorgeously liveried coachmen and lackeys. The military detachment escorting the mission was from the regiment of which the late Queen Victoria was honorary colonel.

Victoria's Death.

The police were much in evidence and kept the streets clear of people a hundred yards above and below the Hotel Bristol and half way acress Unter den Linden. This precaution is said to have been taken to avoid an unseemly anti-British demon-stration, like that of Sunday night, when upon the arrival of the mission a number of persons crowded in front of the Hotel Bristol and shouted, "Down with England," Victory for the Boers," which caused four or five arrests to be made.

### First Honor of Its Kind.

It was the first time in the history of Prussia that such an honor as being escorted to the palace in royal carriages was paid to an ambassador. The escort was composed of the 1st Prussian Dragoon Guards, of which, as already cabled, Queen Victoria was honorary colonel. A band of music stationed in the courtyard of the castle played "God Save the King" as the mission entered.

His majesty received the mission with great ceremony. After the Duke of Abercorn had handed King Edward's autograph letter to the emperor and the mission had been received in audience by the empress the Duke of Abercorn and his party were re-escorted to the Hatel Bristol by the cavalry detachment. The commissioners did not wholly escape a demonstration of Anglophobism. There

#### were shouts of "Down with the English" outside of the hotel, in spite of the strong police force on duty in its vicinity. WILL SUCCEED THE KEARSARGE.

The Olympia to Be Flagship of the

North Atlantic Squadron. It has been reported to the Navy Department that the reconstruction of the cruiser Olympia, Admiral Dewey's famous flagship, will be completed at the Boston navy yard in August next. It has been arranged that the Olympia shall succeed the battle ship Kearsarge as the flagship of the North Atlantic squadron! She will be commanded by Captain Henry W. Lyon, now on duty at the New York navy yard, and will take part in the usual summer cruise of the squadron along the New England coast, visiting Newport and Bar Harbor. Rear Admiral Higginson will relieve Rear Admiral Farquhar of command of the squadron on the 1st proximo. He will hoist his and use that vessel as his flagship until the Olympia joins the squadron.

### PURPOSES OF EQUIPMENT.

B. and O. Railroad Company Files an Agreement.

By indenture filed with the recorder of deeds this afternoon the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company agreed to convey to the Standard Trust Company of New York as trustee certain locomotives and other equipment which it is about to purchase. The purpose of the conveyance is to secure an issue of equipment obligations to be known as the Car Trust of 1901. from the sale of which the company desires to pay for new equipments to cost

The obligations are to be in the nature of bonds, secured on the newly purchased equipments in shares of \$1,000 each, and to be in ten series of \$1,000,000, payable December 31, 1901, and yearly thereafter one of said terest at 4 per centum per annum, payable other equipment upon which these obligations are secured, shall be marked in plain letters "The Standard Trust Company of New York, trustee, owner, 1901."

Miss Croucher Delivers Address. The Easter reception and entertainment of the Young Women's Foreign Missionary Society of Douglas Memorial M. E. Church was held at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. D. Olin Leech, 631 Maryland avenue northeast, last evening. The large parlors were elaborately decorated with palms, tropical plants and flowers, and the Chinese colors, liberally interspersed with American flags,

added to the decorations. The entertainment took the form of a Chinese tea, to which was added a musical program. An orchestra, under the direction of Mr. B. J. Wrightsman, rendered selections during the evening. Mr. Wrightsman and Mr. Howard Roderick rendered violin solos. The address of the evening was given by Miss Miranda Croucher, a missionary from the north China station, who was at Tien Tsin during the late Boxer troubles, being one of a party who escaped from Pekin on the last train out of that city. Miss

Croucher's address was listened to by all taining and forcible speaker, and was varmly congratulated at the close. The tea table was presided over by Mrs. Felt and the lemonade stand by Mrs. J. P. Rudy, jr., both being assisted by a number of young ladies, in tasty Chinese cos-tumes. Refreshments were served at the

#### Policeman's Ankle Sprained. While struggling with an intoxicated man about noon today Policeman Coffin of the eighth precinct sprained his ankle. He was

close of the exercises.

removed to his home in the patrol wagon. Pan-Presbyterian Alliance. Dr. Wallace Radcliffe is in New York in attendance upon the meeting of the American section of the Pan-Presbyterian Al-

### liance. The section will be entertained Sunday at lunch in the Holland House by the Men's Club of the Marble Collegiate Church, and in the evening at a banquet in Hotel Savoy by the Presbyterian Social Union of New York.

#### Forfeited \$50 Collateral. A young colored man who gave his name as Edward F. Lopez, and who told the police he was a pension office clerk, was arrested in Folger Park southeast yesterday afternoon on a charge of indecent exposure.

He deposited \$50 collateral at the Police

Court this morning. When the case was called for trial the defendant failed to re-Hume H. West, the young man who was recently arrested on a charge of having passed a worthless check for \$50 on Representative Samuel W. Smith of Pontiac, Mich., was arraigned before Judge Scott he day that he is about to tender his resignation as a member of the bench. this morning. Attorney Charles W. Darr Lieut, Novak Honorably Discharged. appeared for the defendant and waived an examination. The case was sent to the grand jury and bond was fixed at \$300 for his appearance, Bond was given in the

PEKIN, April 9.-The Russian minister to China, M. De Giers, responding to the letter from Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang regarding Manchuria, merely refuses to hold further communication with them

law of Prince Tuan, proves to be an important factor in the rebellion now in progress. He urges the rebellious troops to march on Sian-Fu.

Chinese knowing General Tung-Fu-Sian say the emperor brought the rebellion upon his own head when he published the edict threatening the general with future punishment. On account of his present power and influence General Tung-Fu-Sian would not permit this, and naturally desired to prove that power.

He has the entire Mohammedan population with him. Prince Tuan also has a large following, while Prince Olaskan con trols the entire province of Mongolia. The German minister, Dr. Mumm von Schwarzenstein, entertained all the ministers at a dinner today in honor of the an-niversary of the birth of Count von Waldersee.

#### Berlin Officials Satisfied.

BERLIN, April 9.-Russia's declaration renouncing a separate agreement with China gives great satisfaction in Berlin official circles, since it removes all separate negotiations from having further influence upon the diplomatic situation at Pekin, and the general negotiations can now proceed uninterruptedly.

It is said in official circles that it was to

e expected that Russia would not withdraw from Manchuria, and now any power proposing a withdrawal must be prepared to attempt to oust her by force. The correspondent of the Associated Press learns that the controversy between Russia and Japan on the subject of Corea has been conducted with the greatest caution on

both sides, showing an earnest wish to avoid a conflict. The Berlin diplomats do not expect a conflict. Japan Still Disgruntled.

YOKOHAMA, April 9.-The dissatisfaction of Japan with Russia's action is not in regard to the Manchurfan agreement, the leading papers here affirm, but with Russia's action in Manchuria. Hence Japan declines, according to an important section of the press, to consider the abandonment of the agreement as a final settlement of the Manchurian question. It is urged that this question should be brought before a conference of the ministers, like the other Chinese questions.

### ATTITUDE OF THE CUBANS.

Representative Griggs Regards It as sike coupled as Daly's entry. Embarrassing to the President. "The failure of the Cubans to comply with the provisions of the Platt amendment," said Representative Griggs of Georgia to a Star reporter today, "seems to me to present an embarrassing situation for the President. It was made quite evident at the last session of the Fifty-sixth Congress that he did not want a continunce of the present conditions: Congres made provision under which the situation In his bill of complaint he alleged that a could be changed and the United States diamond scarf pin, valued at the amount would withdraw from the islands; these stated, disappeared from his trunk while conditions have not been complied with he was a guest of the hotel. The loss, he by the Cubans, and if they follow policy of neither accepting nor rejecting the terms proposed, the conditions which stated, occurred about March 20 of last year. \* the President desired to break away from

are continued. "Under such circumstances I would not be surprised if the President should call Congress together before the regular time of meeting in December. As has already been shown, he does not want to take the entire responsibility himself, yet, if Cuba comply with the terms proposed question, and I assume that he will want to lay the matter before Congress for disposition as may seem to be nec

### MR. LOOMIS SAILS FOR HOME. He Sailed From La Guayra Yesterday

on the Scorpion. WILLEMSTAD, Island of Curacoa, April (via Haytian cable).-Mr. Francis B. Loomis, the United States minister to Venezuela, sailed from La Guayra yesterday on the United States auxiliary cruiser Scorpion, which fired a salute in his honor, the American vessels in port saluting with

When Mr. Loomis left Caracas, the capital, the railroad station was crowded with people representing the best classes of the inhabitants, showing the esteem in which Mr. Loomis was held. The whole diplomatic corps elso assembled at the station Many Porto Ricans whom Mr. Loomis had saved from military service were at the sta-tion. They presented him with an address. The private railroad car in which Mr. Loomis traveled was filled with flowers. No minister ever left Caracas with more marked tributes of respect.

### Benefit Concert.

eral exodus from the car took place. The car was pushed to its terminal by a fol-A concert for the benefit of the choir of Westminster Church Memorial was given at that church last night. The choir bore its share of the responsibility for entertaining the audience which gathered to aid the worthy object, and was assisted by a number of local singers of wide or growing repute. Among the selections rendered were "Night Breezes," by Messrs. Fred. White, Charles D. Church, Lloyd White and Frank Byram; a trio for violin, 'cello and piano, by Miss Florence Stevens, Miss Florence Wieser and Mrs. Frank Byram; a song, "Last Night," by Miss Bayly, Miss Dudley, Miss Houchen and Miss Wingate, and solos by Miss Florence Stevens, Mr Douglas G. Miller, Miss Jessica Tabler and Miss Amy Law. Miss Law's sweet voice was heard to advantage in the "Spring Song," and Miss Dudley and Miss Salome Wingate sang acceptably Mendelssohn's "Birds of Passage." A recitation was given by Mrs. L. S. Depue.

#### A New Ten-Dollar Bill. Assistant Secretary Ailes has approved

new design for a \$10 United States note. The engravers have spent some time in making the design, which is considered a most artistic one. In line with the determination of the treasury to give emblems to notes and silver certificates, the buffalo ure of the nearly extinct animal adorns the center of the note. The picture was made from a photograph of the stuffed buffalo in the National Museum. On each and Clark the explorers. The denomina and clark, the explorers. The denomina-tion of the bill is printed in large red letters, with the letter X crossing the letters. These are the distinguishing marks of the new bill, which will probably attract much attention, and is likely be called the buffalo bill.

In answer to an inquiry of a Star reporter this afternoon, Justice Charles C. Cele of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia denied that there is any truth in a rumor that gained wide circulation during

Second Lieut. Martin Novak, 42d Volunteer Infantry, has been honorably discharged from the service of the United States, to take effect April 20. 

AGUINALDO WAS SLOW ABOUT AC-Stocks Took a Decided Upward Turn This Morning. His Objections Finally Overcome by

CEPTING TWO CLAUSES.

Judge Arellano - More In-

surgents Surrender.

MANILA, April 9, 3:25 p.m.-Although

the officials are uncommunicative, it is

nevertheless said that Aguinaldo signed

the peace manifesto this morning. Chief

Justice Areliano drafted the document.

Aguinaldo strongly objected to two clauses

of the manifesto, and considerable argu-

ment was required to overcome his objec-

Col. Aba, the insurgent leader of Zam-

bales province, with thirteen officers,

eighty-three men and ninety-two rifles,

surrendered to Lieut. Col. Mancil G. Good-

rell, commanding the marines stationed at

Olongapo, on Subig bay. Gen. Malvar,

with about 300 men and as many rifles, is

expected to surrender shortly at Silang,

COOL AT THE RACE TRACK,

But the Attendance Was Good in

Spite of That.

BENNING RACE TRACK, April 9.-It

was rather cool at the Benning track this

afternoon, but the attendance was even

fair shape, but slow, and the day's card

Tomorrow there will be a steeplechase

over the full course, a hurdle race Thurs-

day and seven races Saturday, the closing

day, including two races over the jumps,

a hurdle race at one and one-half miles and

a hunters' steeplechase and the second

half of the Benning Spring Handicap.
At post time, first race, Back Talk had

been withdrawn from that event; Emery from the third, and Cherished from the

nan), 60 to 1; Aminte (Callahan), 60 to 1.

Entries for Tomorrow.

Following are the entries for tomorrow:

Lofter, 106; Boney Boy, 110; Tony Licalzi,

Second race, maidens, half mile, seven

Fourth race, entries close at 4 p.m. to-

ay.

- ith race, selling, seven furlongs, five entries—Imperialist, 100; \*Gold Fox. 115; \*Scurry, 96; \*Prosit, 98; \*Cherished, 87.

Sixth race, handicap, mile and fifty yards, cherished, Sidney, Lucan, 128; Gold.

eleven entries—Sidney Lucas, 126; Gold Fox, 120; Magic Light, 105; Alsike, 109;

First Whip, 124; Decanter, 123; Knight of the Garter, 116; Boney Boy, 112; Lofter, 102; Althea, 100; Petrellus, 100.

Sidney Lucas and Gold Fox coupled as

Thompson's entries. Magic Light and Al-

VERDICT FOR PLAINTIFF.

Former Senator Sullivan Recovers

Value of Diamond Pin.

Former Senator Sullivan of Mississippl

The plaintiff stated that about the time

indicated he was summoned by telegraph

to Mississippi by the governor. When he

received the message he was at Col. Mc-Donald's home at Fort Myer. He did not

have time to change his clothing and went

away wearing his dress suit. Before going

to Fort Myer, he said, he put his pin in his

trunk and left his keys at the hotel of-

fice. It was not until the trunk had been

forwarded to Mississippi that the loss was

Judgment for the full amount was given.

and Attorney John B. Larner, for Mr. Roessle, noted an appeal. The plaintiff was

represented by Attorney George C. Hazel-

IN A CRITICAL STATE.

Ex-Mayor Berret's Condition Causes

Serious Apprehension.

as being in a very critical state last night,

and this afternoon it was stated at his resi-

hopes are held for his recovery.

dence that his condition was unchanged.

On account of his advanced age only faint

Motor car 308, southbound, on the 9th

street line, this city, "burned out" near P

street northwest about 10:30 o'clock this

morning. The car was running along

smoothly, when suddenly there was an

explosion. The motorman ran back and

lifted a trap door in the car, and at the

same time another explosion occurred. The motorman drew back and this was

The motorman drew back and the taken as a signal for a general retreat. Several men jumped the side gates. A genthe car took place. The

Date Fixed for Trial.

The case of Mrs. Violet Stilletti, who was

arrested yesterday on a charge of theft,

has been set for trial in Judge Scott's

court Thursday. Mrs. Stilletti, as publish-

ed in yesterday's Star, claims she is the

wife of an Italian count, Robert Charles

Stilletti. Mrs. Harriet Shryock charges that she took a watch and chain from her

Constructor Hobson Ordered Here.

Baltimore Markets.

Naval Constructor Richard P. Hobson has

lowing car and placed in the shop.

Ex-Mayor James G. Berret was regarded

110; Eloim, 116; Punctual, 91.

Laracor as Goughacre entry.

\*Apprentice.

discovered.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

was above the average.

in Cavite province.

### YESTERDAY'S LOSSES REGAINED

Big Jump in Texas Pacific About the Close.

### GENERAL MARKET REPORTS

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NEW YORK, April 9.-Today's stock market was almost exactly opposite in character to that of yesterday. London sent over a higher range of prices and a fair buying demand was credited to that center. The short interest, which was allewed to grow in yesterday's market, became nervous in the pressure of the new strength and later in the day covered freely at the high prices.

Burlington was moved up to its best level and official announcement of the deal is expected during the week. In sympathy with this rise Northern Pacific and the Eries were in good demand. The latter issues are well held in the belief that ultilarger than yesterday. The track was in mate results will amply repay for the delay in rehabilitating the property. The strike symptoms in New Jersey Central were ignored, and all the coal shares gave evi-dence of a good buying demand.

New activity in the southwest was a feature of the day, the buying of Texas Pacific being especially significant. It is now believed that the splendid earnings of this property will be a splendid earnings of the splendid this property will insure to it a prominent place in the Missouri Pacific consolidation. It is understood that some statement approaching an official utterance will shortly made, in which the main features of the Southwestern deal will be disclosed.

The plan as now drafted would indicate an exchange of Missouri Pacific stock for that of the smaller companies. All of the Van Kuren), 40 to 1; Magic Light (Milles), to 1; Robert Waddell (Seaton), 1 to 6; Gould stocks were strong under splendid buying and the demand in this group helped the entire market. An attempt was made to force an advance in the Traction shares, James J. Corbett (Richards), 60 to 1; Nitrate (J. Slack), 5 to 1; The Tramp (Brenand the movement was temporarily successful as the result of a fair-sized short interest which covered on the way up.

The buying of Brooklyn Transit was er-First race, six and one-half furlongs, seven entries-Moor, 98; Invasion, 104;

rested, as heretofore, and the opinion prevails in some quarters that a steady ac-cumulation of the stock has been in progress for some time. The Steel stocks were less active than usual, and decidedly irregular in character.

entries-The Stewardess, 100; Frivol, 100; Praline, 100; Astery, 100; Tea Varra, 100; The shifting of interest to the railroad list is supposed to have been purposely arranged in order to restrict speculation in the industrial department until the money Rona, 100; Laracor, 100. Couple Rona and Third race, handicap steeplechase, two market becomes more settled.

The call rate for money today ruled between 4 and 5 per cent during the active borrowing period, but the street was less and one-half miles, seven entries—Trilli, 159; G. R. Longhurst, 155; Prince Midas, 133; Lady Dainty, 142; Mazo, 140; Breach of Promise, 136; Bacchanal, 130.

apprehensive than yesterday on this score. The recent liquidation of overloaded accounts has undoubtedly helped the market and the various pools may resume operaions without the annoyance of a following of room traders.

The high-priced shares, especially New York Central, Illinois Central and Pennsylvania, were well taken by conservative people. Properties of this character are in

favor with those who are willing to walt until summer for profits.

Texas Pacific was the feature of the last hour under a big demand. The street was full of rumors relative to its probable ad-vance, the most conservative view being that at least two shares would be exchang-ed for one of Missouria Pacific.

### FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Market. was plaintiff in a suit tried before Samuel Furnished by W. B. Hibbs & Co., bankers and brokers, 1419 F st., members New York C, Mills, a justice of the peace, today, involving a claim of \$175 against Mr. T. E. stock exchange, correspondents Messrs. La-Roessle proprietor of the Arlington Hotel denburg, Thalmann & Co., New York.

> Am. Steel and Wire.pfd... merican Tobacco... Chicago, R. I. & Pacific... Chic., St. P., M. & O...... Metropolitan Traction... 165% Manhattan Elevated..... 127% Missouri Pacific ....... 102 .... 57% National Lead Co. Northern Pacific, pfd.... 961 ennsylvania R. R..... outhern Railway, pfd...

# enn. Coal and Iron...... Inion Pacific..... luion Pacific. pfd..... Amalgamated Copper.... ie, 1st. pfd. Washington Stock Exchange.

Sales Regular call, 12 o'clock m.—Washin Gas, 15 at 57%. Merganthalet Linotype, 5 at 10 at 164, 10 at 163%, 10 at 163% celler 30, 1 at 163%. Lanston Monotype, 50 at 14%, 100 at 1 After call—Washington Traction and Electric 51,000 at 66%. Columbia Railway 6s, 23,000

been ordered to this city for special duty in the bureau of construction and repair, Navy Department. He will assume his new duties BALTIMORE, April 9.—Flour quiet, unchanged; receipts, 2,206 barrels; exports, 18,994 barrels. Wheat easier and dull; spot, the month and May, 75%, a76; June, 78 asked; steamer No. 2, red, 73%, 73%; receipts, 24,277 bushels; exports, none; southern, by sample, 70s77; southern on grade, 74s769, Corp weak; mixed, spot, the month and May, 47% 47%; steamer mixed, 46%, a46%; receipts, 123,953 bushels; exports, 17,143 bushels; southern white and yellow corn, 48s48%. Oats firm; No. 2 white, 33s34; No. 2 mixed, 31%, a32; receipts, 99,389 bushels; exports, 50,000 bushels. Rye steady; No. 2 nearby, 57; No. 2 western, 58; receipts, 1,535 bushels; exports, none. Hay firm; No. 1 timothy, \$17

Sugar firm; line and coarse granulation, 19; fancy ter firm, unchanged; fancy imitation, 19; fancy creamery, 22; fancy ladle, 15a16; fancy roll, 18a 16; store packed, 12a14. Eggs firm, unchanged, at 13c. Cheese firm and unchanged; large, 124a124;

Grain, Provisions and Cotton Markets.